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## CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY NPDES PRIMACY MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

June 30, 2004

New Mexico Construction Permit holders and other interested parties:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) invites you to attend informational meetings being held in Santa Fe and Las Cruces, to discuss plans to seek state delegation for the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

A public meeting was held in Albuquerque on May 24, 2004 to discuss the process of seeking NPDES delegation. During the May meeting, many parties expressed interest in attending another meeting specifically geared toward construction stormwater permit holders and their concerns. The July meetings are being held in response to those requests. Ron Curry, NMED Cabinet Secretary, plans to attend the Santa Fe meeting to answer questions and respond to comments.

The **Santa Fe** meeting will be held **Wednesday July 21<sup>st</sup>, from 1 to 3pm** in the Harold Runnels Building auditorium. The Harold Runnels building is located on the northwest corner of the St. Francis Drive and Alta Vista Street intersection (1190 St. Francis Drive).

The **Las Cruces** meeting will be held **Thursday July 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 1 to 3pm** in the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library Dresp Room. The Thomas Branigan Memorial Library is located at 200 East Picacho Avenue.

Information regarding NPDES primacy can be found on the Surface Water Quality Bureau website at: [www.nmenv.state.nm.us/swqb](http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/swqb). For more information about this initiative, please contact Marcy Leavitt, Chief of the Surface Water Quality Bureau at (505) 827-2795.